REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Patent and Trademark Office's December 30, 2003 Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Non-Provisional Application (see enclosed), Applicant respectfully submits the foregoing amendments to the written specification removing all references to Figures 4f and 5f. The original references to Figures 4f and 5f were inadvertent.

With the above-referenced preliminary amendments, it is believed that the application is in a condition for examination; and Applicant respectfully requests Examiner to pass the application on to allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of the application, please contact the undersigned counsel to arrange such a conference.

It is not believed that any fees are due with this amendment; however, in the event any additional fees are due, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's attorney deposit account no. 03-2030.

Respectfully submitted,

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